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VICTORY SMILE—Joe Casalnuovo, winning candidate for ASSMC president next year, flashes the victory smile to outgoing president, Val McKeever (seated).

Casalnuovo Offers Thanks

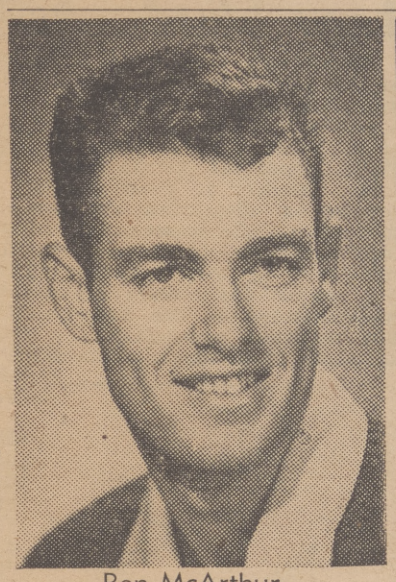
I wish to express my sincere gratitude to all the students for the opportunity and honor given me in this election. Especially may I thank my many friends whose work and support was essential to the campaign.

With the help of your student and class officers I shall strive to fulfill the responsibilities of president. The outlook for next year is bright; a little hard work, a friendly attitude among all students and most problems will be solved. Most important of all student support throughout the whole year will insure a better St. Mary's. Thank you. JOE CASALNUOVO.

Largest Post-war Class To Receive Diplomas

Herbert Clish to Address Graduates; Plomarity, McArthur Cum Laude Men

In the traditional quadrangle ceremony, a class of 68 men, the largest since the war, will be presented their diplomas on Sunday, June 12, by Archbishop John J. Mitty of San Francisco. Ron McArthur will give the valedictory and Herbert C. Clish, San Francisco Superintendent of Schools, will address the graduates. Commencement exercises will begin at 2:30 in front of the chapel.



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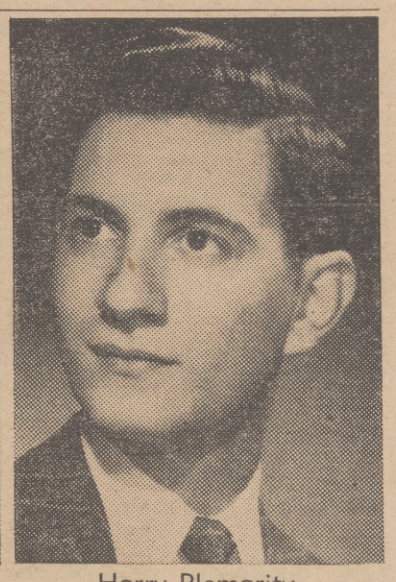

Harry Plomarity

Harry Plomarity will graduate maxima cum laude and McArthur will graduate cum laude. The winners of the General Excellence and the Philosophy Medals have not been announced.

Robert G. Sproul, President of the University of California, Msgr. James H. Culleton, Chancellor of the Monterey - Fresno diocese, and Clish will be honored with the degree Doctor of Laws. These degrees are conferred for outstanding contribution to the field of education.

The graduation will conclude the climax for the Senior Week events, which will begin on Monday, June 6, with the annual Senior retreat, which will conclude Thursday morning. Father Moss, student chaplain, is handling the arrangements.

Thursday evening there will be a dinner for the seniors given by the alumni. Each graduate will be paired off with one alumnus.

Friday will be Catholic Action and Civic Duty Day. At 10:00 a.m. there will be a conference on Catholic Action, with Sylvester Andriano, archdiocesan head of Catholic Action, and Rev. John J. Hunt, archdiocesan, spiritual director of Catholic Action will be the speakers.

In the afternoon, there will be

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SENIOR WEEK
June 6-12

Mon.-Thurs. — Senior Retreat
Thur. 6:30 p.m.—Alumni Dinner
Fri.—10:00 a.m.—Catholic Action Conference
1:30 p.m.—Civic Duty Panel
Sat.—2:00 p.m.—Commence Rehearsal
6:30 p.m.—Faculty Dinner for the Graduates and their Families.
8:30 p.m.—The Last Round-up
Sun.—8:30 a.m. — Baccalaureate Mass and Breakfast
10:30 a.m.—Senior Pilgrimage
2:00 p.m.—Academic Procession
2:30 p.m.—Commencement

Deke Resigns Coaching Post

George DeKlotz yesterday resigned as Freshman Football and Basketball coach and director of minor sports to become head basketball coach at the University of South Dakota. He will assume his new duties on September 1.

"It is with regret that I leave St. Mary's College, but, after due consideration, I feel that the opportunity offered by the University of South Dakota was one I could not refuse," wrote DeKlotz in tendering his resignation.

"I appreciate the fine cooperation I have received from the Christian Brothers, the administration and the faculty. May the future years be most successful for St. Mary's."

At South Dakota DeKlotz succeeds Carl B. Hoy.

Bro. William Announces List Of Summer Session Profs

Brother William, Dean of the College, this week announced the final information for this year's summer session here. Classes will run from June 27 to August 6. Brother Austin, President of the College, Brother Julian, Registrar, and Thomas J. Twomey, assistant director of the summer session, will handle the administration.

Two visiting professors will teach classes here during the session, Brother Leo of the Brothers of Mary from Saint Mary's college, Minnesota, will teach education, and Brother S. Leonard from San Joaquin high in Fresno will teach audiovisual aids.

Summer Schedule

June 23, 24.....Registration
June 28.....Registration, Classes Begin
July 4.....Holiday
Aug. 5, 6.....Final Examinations

Professors from Saint Mary's will be Brother Alvan, mathematics; Brother Austin, French, Brother Benignus, philosophy; Brother Cornelius, art; Brother Dominic, mathematics; George Elliot, English and world classics; Alan Garrett, business administration; Brother Julius, Spanish; Brother Virgil, English, and Brothers James, Robert and Theodore, philosophy and world classics.

Henry IV Video Will Be Shown In Lounge Wed.

With a borrowed television set and with an aerial set up by Brother Peter, Tom Hurley, and Norm Harmon, the television broadcast of Henry IV from San Francisco will be open to the students in the lounge. The broadcast will be next Wednesday evening at 8:15 p.m.

Because of the success which the play enjoyed with an SRO sign out through its six-night run which finished last Friday night in LeFevre Memorial theatre here, Yale Meyer, director of the Saint Mary's Drama Society, arranged the video showing over station KPIX.

General Electric Corp. of San Francisco has promised a television set for the night on the condition that an adequate aerial is installed.

NOTICE

This will be the last issue of the COLLEGIAN published this semester.

Meyers Brings Drama Upsurge

By JOHN BARANSKI

With a flourish of Ibsen, Elizabethan drama and comedy, Saint Mary's seems to have experienced a renaissance of interest in the theater this year. Yale Meyer, the apparent cause of it all, has "nothing but good things to say of everything that was accomplished this year, and of all those who were responsible for its being accomplished, the Drama society, the school administration, and all the others who helped."

The college has had little activity in drama since they moved here from the "Brickpile." The most significant work in recent years was the production of the "Passion Play" under the joint direction of Meyer and John Williams in 1942. Nothing much was done until Meyer returned from the army in 1946. Then he began his careful planning which has shown such promising results this year.

It is doubtful that success could have gone to a more deserving individual. To give himself background for drama, Meyer spent two years at College of the Pacific and four years at the University of California at which he earned degrees in dramatic literature and English. Proof of his wanting to do the best job possible is his tentative plans to attend U. C. L. A. this summer for further courses in dramatics. Meyer is a member of numerous societies and groups for the development of dramatic art. He is now trying to put all this experience into practice, and he seems to have found the best place for this at Saint Mary's.

Because he has found here, as he puts it, "the material good enough to produce drama comparable to anything else in the bay area with more than adequate facilities with which to do it," next year and afterward seem to hold bright possibilities for the theater at Saint Mary's. Come September of next year he will have definite plans set up for a musical, a comedy, a religious production for Lent and a classical work. He had thus far selected only one definitely for presentation, the play for Lent, "Shadow and Substance" by Paul Vincent Carroll. He is also looking forward to "Hamlet" within the next few years.

Yale Meyer

In support of this fine showing of Meyer and the 40 members of the Drama society, the school administration has announced the commencement of a course in drama to fit into the speech department. In addition, there is to be a drama workshop open to all interested in speech work, for which scholastic credit will be given. There is also hope for work in conjunction with our radio station.

There is promise for continued strong interest being shown in the coming years in this work because of the fact that a substantial number of Drama society members are yet underclassmen.

1949 Spring Finals Schedule

All examinations will be given in the regular classrooms except where official notice giving other directions are posted.

No changes are to be made on the listed examinations schedule unless authorized by the Dean.

Public Speaking and English Composition examinations may be given at the discretion of the instructor.

Conflicts, errors, or omissions are to be reported to the Office of the Dean immediately.

All class sessions Mon. at 8:10 a.m.—May 25, Wed., 9:10-11 a.m.
All class sessions Mon. at 2:10 p.m.—May 25, Wed., 1:10- 3 p.m.
All class sessions Tues. at 10:10 a.m.—May 27, Fri., 9:10-11 a.m.
All class sessions Tues. at 1:10 p.m.—May 27, Fri., 1:10- 3 p.m.
All class sessions Mon. at 10:10 a.m.—May 30, Mon. 9:10-11 a.m.
All class sessions Mon. at 1:10 p.m.—May 30, Mon., 1:10- 3 p.m.
All class sessions Tues. at 8:10 a.m.—June 1, Wed., 9:10-11 a.m.
All class sessions Tues. at 2:10 p.m.—June 1, Wed., 1:10- 3 p.m.
All class sessions Mon. at 11:10 a.m.—June 2, Thurs. 9:10-11 a.m.
All class sessions Mon. at 9:10 a.m.—June 2, Thurs. 1:10- 3 p.m.
All class sessions Tues. at 11:10 a.m.—June 3, Fri., 9:10-11 a.m.
All class sessions Tues. at 9:10 a.m.—June 3, Fri., 1:10- 3 p.m.

THE FOLLOWING EXAMINATIONS ARE SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, MAY 31:

Economics 106, Sections 1, 2, 3—Brother Jerome: 9:10-11:00 a.m.
Philosophy 3b, Sections 2, 3, 4—Brother Theodore: 9:10-11:00 a.m.
World Classics 38, Sections 1, 2,3—Mr. Starrs: 1:10 - 3:00 p.m.
Philosophy 5b, Sections 3, 4, 6, 7—Mr. Hertel: 1:10 - 3:00 p.m.

Advisory Board Reports On First Year Progress

In their last meeting of the year, held Tuesday afternoon, the members of the faculty-student board discussed a revamping of the mid-term exam set-up. Discussion favored no classes during the mid-term exams, but this was found to be impractical, since it would require more school days at the end of the year to meet the state minimum attendance regulations. Bro. William, F.S.C., Dean, presided at the meeting.

In two other earlier meetings held since the board's formation last month. a more rigid social schedule for next year to prevent conflict between events was recommended, the bookstore problem at the beginning of each semester was discussed without solution, and several suggestions were made for the library. As a result, the library has been opened during the noon hour, a light has been placed there for night approach, and the encyclopedias will be made accessible to student use.

The board was set up jointly last month by the ex-council and the administration to consider problems of mutual interest. It has seven students and four faculty members and acts in an advisory capacity to its founders.

Ed Illig, acting secretary of the board, expressed himself as "well satisfied" with efforts so far. He said that the ideas promised "great service to both the administration and the students in future years."

Vets Unemployment Aid Program to End

Veteran students are reminded that the federal servicemen's readjustment allowance program expires on July 25, 1949. Thomas J. Twomey, Veterans Service Officer on the campus, recommended today that all veterans who are finding it difficult to secure summer work contact officials of the California Department of Employment at once for advice on financial assistance which may be available.

"Jobless pay under the G. I. Bill will end on July 25, 1949, for all veterans who were discharged prior to July 26, 1947," stated Mr. Twomey.

In addition he indicated that those who enlisted under the Voluntary Recruitment Act with service prior to July 25, 1947, but who were discharged after that date, may also be entitled to benefits. However, immediate inquiry should be made.

The campus Veterans Service Officer announced that officials of the California Department of Employment are cooperating fully in advising veterans of their future rights to benefits. Any veteran who enlisted under the Voluntary Recruitment Act or who had service both before and after July 25, 1947, and is in doubt as to his rights may discuss his case with the readjustment allowance specialist in one of the local offices of the department.

French Canon Looks at SM Books Course

Canon Paul Sobry, Professor of classical literature at the University of Louvain in Belgium, visited Saint Mary's Thursday to investigate the World Classics program here. He attended two of Dr. Hagerty's World Classics sessions Thursday afternoon.

Canon Sobry said he was "much impressed" with the Saint Mary's program, and especially with the list of books used here. "I can't understand why it hasn't gotten more publicity," he said.

Canon Sobry also investigated St. John's University which also features a Great Books program.

He is in the United States as an exchange professor at the Catholic University.

Law Students

All students, particularly those in the upper division, who are preparing to enter law school are requested to attend a meeting at 12:25 p.m. next Tuesday, May 24, in Room 114, Dante Hall.

Mr. Thomas J. Twomey will conduct a discussion for law students on the papers required for admission to professional schools along with a review of the major and minor studies recommended by the American Bar academic committee.

Alumni Return To Alma Mater

The "Bells of Saint Mary's" were ringing to greet the early arrivals of the 2500 alumni that returned to the campus for the 1949 Homecoming, last Sunday, May 15.

The program was opened with Mass at 9:00 in the Chapel, celebrated by Father Thomas Kane. Over 150 alumni were welcomed by Brother Austin at the breakfast held in the College Dining Hall.

At the General Alumni meeting held after breakfast, alumni officers for the coming year were elected. Elton Lawless, present vice-president, was chosen as the next president; Robert F. Waters Jr., vice-president; Cyril Gilfeather remained as secretary; Thomas Feeney, treasurer; Father Kane will continue to act as chaplain.

SONG ADOPTED

The alumni adopted "Here's a Song to Old Saint Mary's" as their official song in deference to a request of the late Dr. Louis include the installation of a Memorial Plaque dedicated to the E. F. LeFevre. Other projects deceased graduates of the war, and the compiling of an up-to-date record of the college, to be edited by Brother Matthew of the college.

At the annual education hour, the panel of speakers, presided over by Judge Leo Cunningham of San Francisco, included Father Thomas E. Lacey, C. Y. O. director, Oakland; Robert W. DeVoe, M.D., obstetician and gynecologist; and Edw. J. Hinkle, Ph.D., consulting psychologist, discussed the topic "Sex, Marriage, and the Family."

The grads then visited the Louis LeFevre Memorial Theater and an art exhibit was held in the Keith Art Gallery, Brother Cornelius presiding, of course.

At 2:30 the grads were granted a preview of the Saint Mary's Gaels, 1949 edition. The Red team, composed of new men defeated the veteran Blue team, 14-13. A complete description of the game can be found in the Sports section of the COLLEGIAN.

Father James E. Walsh delivered the invocation at the evening banquet, attended by over 250 alumni. Six alumni from the Class of 1899 were the guests of honor at the dinner. These six were: James T. Killian, Fred Corcoran, Joseph Cone, George J. Hart, and John F. Mott. Wyman Riley, a Vallejo newspaperman was the principal speaker and Edward E. Walsh served as toastmaster. The dinner was the last scheduled event for the day.

oseph S. Englert was chairman for the day and Edw. M. Smyth, vice-chairman of the Homecoming Day committee.

FAR AWAY PLACES

Alumni came from far and near to attend the Homecoming. All the way from Portland, Oregon came Willis Buck. Charles McCarthy, president of the alumni chapter in Los Angeles was among those present. Phil Brady came from Long Beach to attend.

The oldest grad at the college Sunday was Daniel C. Troy of the Class of 1880. The alumni present represented a wide cross section of the association, both in fields of livlihood and in dates of graduation.

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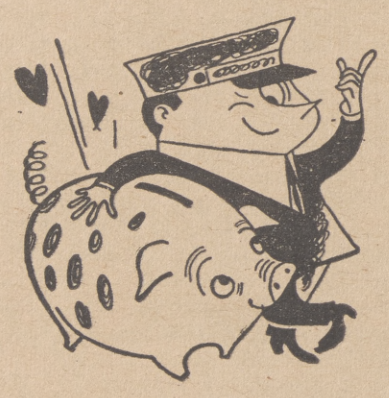

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Student Vote Keeps $5 Card

With more opposition coming up on the revote, the motion on the ballot last Friday to raise the student-body fee was defeated overwhelmingly by a count of 346 to 189. A second vote was called for by a student petition when the first count showed 260 in favor of no raise, 72 favoring a raise from $5 to $7.50, and 195 favoring a raise to $15.

The question of raising the fee centered about the **Gael**. The **Gael** staff underwent considerable difficulty this year in getting enough subscriptions to insure publication. The $15 student-body fee would have included the **Gael** for every student, and thus eliminated the gamble.

An interesting sidelight on the need for more money expressed by the ex-council is a brief budget published this week which shows a surplus for this year.

SM Budget

To clear up doubts on the financial status of the ex-council, Val McKeever, president of the ASSMC, this week published a brief statement which claimed that "we have a greater surplus than in any year since the war."

The approximate figures:

Cash in bank	**$2,200**
Pledged to GAEL	**500**
Probable remaining bills	**150**
Surplus	**1,550**

Chilton Talks Way to Cash

Colin Chilton, high freshman, won a fifty dollar savings bond in the Hearst Tournament of Orators, which took place May 12, at the University of San Francisco auditorium.

Results of the tournament were: 1st. San Francisco State, 2nd. Stanford, 3rd. Santa Clara, 4th. Menlo Junior College, and 5th. Saint Mary's College.

Maffeo Starts 49-50 Work

Probably the first new officer to begin his work for next year, Angelo Maffeo, winner without opposition in the elections last week for Rally Committee Chairman, has already held an organizational meeting and submitted his list of members to the ex-council for approval.

Maffeo plans a well-organized rooting section, "fast moving rallies with plenty of interest," and a new scheme, a sign and slogan committee to get the campus game conscious next year.

Maffeo's proposed committee members are Bill Costa, Maurice Alberti, Bill Bozzini, Paul Ascenzi, Justin Garcia, Joseph Ho, Harold Hill, Jack Christensen, Norm Piper, Jose Aboitiz, Gerald Parker, Joseph Portillo, Ken McLaughlin, Jack Gianelli, Ed Lammerding, John Wasson, Dom Politeo, Jim Hill, George Barnett, Bud Hill, Arthur Murray, Grant Conard, Albert Johnston and Al Savio.

Maffeo says he will welcome any suggestions or ideas.

'Concord' Runs Story By Bertain, Arzac

Joe Bertain and Don Arzac contributed the Saint Mary's viewpoint to a forum on the subject, "What Makes a Good Prof?", conducted by **Concord**, a student magazine published chiefly by the men of Notre Dame. Their article appeared in the May-June issue.

Bertain and Arzac emphasized the Great Books idea in the standards which they set for a "good prof." They said he "must have a comprehensive view of reality." They said he must be able "to show students how to read critically or esthetically, as the work at hand requires."

They demanded that his aim be "to educate the whole man." Education in the undergraduate college must aim at instilling the fundamental principles upon which Christianity and democracy are based . . ."

The two men preferred the liberal arts education without specialization at the undergraduate level.

All Spots Sold For Bay Cruise On Coxe Tonite

MOONLIGHT CRUISE

Loaded with a sell out crowd of 150 couples (scalper's price now $6.50)), the S. S. General Frank Cox will leave Fisherman's wharf tonight at 9:00 p.m. for the second annual Moonlight Cruise about the bay. The cruise is sponsored by the senior class. It is the last official bit of merriment before finals begin next Wednesday.

Most of those attending and particularly the only-three-weeks-more-now grads will invade Fisherman's Wharf seafood spots before the Cox embarks.

Father Munier Says Pius XI Had Answer

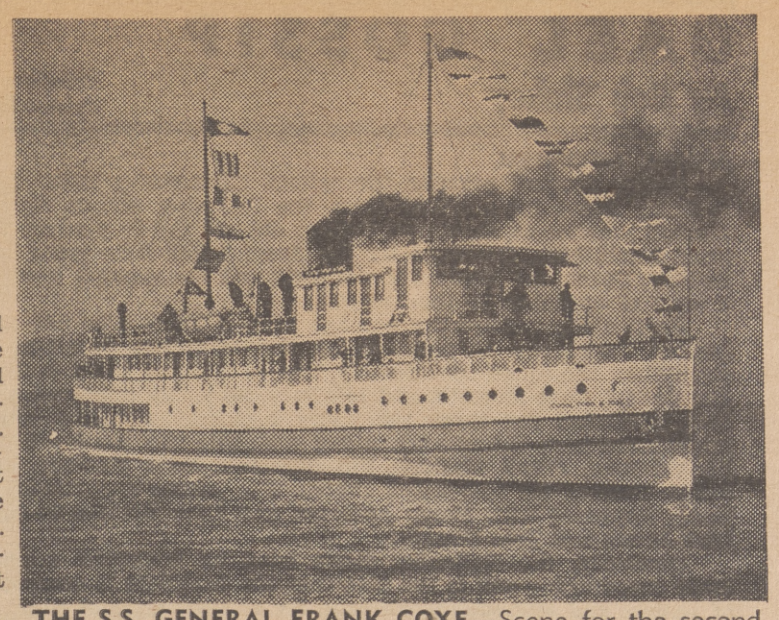
Last Thursday evening, the Economics Society was addressed by Father Munier, an emminent authority on economic and sociological problems.

His topic for the evening dealt with the major problems which are causing the labor management troubles today.

He said that the major difficutly lies in the fact that there is an artificial cleavage between labor and management which is in reality a lack of cooperation and organization beween state and industry.

The solution to this problem, Father Munier says, may be found in an encyclical by Pope Pius XI which initiates a plan for a national economic council. This plan would tend to overcome the condition whereby the state is overemphasized and the individual has less significance.

Under the N. E. C. plan a local board would handle each labor dispute as it came up and this would end labor problems at their very beginning.



THE S.S. GENERAL FRANK COXE—Scene for the second annual moonlight cruise tonight.

Classes Elect New Officers

In the first class election for next term, the Freshmen last Friday voted into office Bill Bloom, president; Rod Baumbach, treasurer; Tom Guigni, secretary; Art Balazs and Bob Eddie, ex-council representatives, and defeated by a narrow margin the issue on class dues.

A run-off election for vice-president is scheduled today between Joe Waltner and Len De Vilbiss who received the first and second highest counts, respectively, in the primary.

In class meetings Wednesday, surprisingly large numbers of Sophomores and Juniors showed up to hear the campaign speeches of their respective candidates for class offices. Juniors held their election yesterday, while Sophomores will go to the polls today, between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. in the Co-op.

Upper Classes Enjoy Dance

The Junior-Senior Ball held at the Claremont Country Club last Saturday night was a great success.

Ed Illig, one of the co-chairmen of the event, when interviewed in his dormitory apartment said: "From a conversation with most of those in attendance it seems to have been the greatest social success since post war days. The enthusiasm; the orchestra; everything was fine!"

Representing the faculty were Brother Austin, Brother William, Brother Albert, Brother Robert, Father Moss and Doctor Haggerty.

Music for the affair was provided by Hal Mead and his orchestra.

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GAEL GOSSIP

By Bob Slakey — Collegian Sports Editor

SPRING OPTIMISM

Spring football practice throughout the country never fails to bring hopes for a better team the following season. Spring football practice at St. Mary's College did not fail to produce the same result here. Climaxed by the Annual Red-Blue game last Sunday, Coach Joe Verducci's workouts and scrimmages brought a wave of optimism to the campus.

Particularly noteworthy was the host of Frosh who not only insured themselves of positions on the team but promised to strengthen the squad considerably. The running of backs such as Jim Ortlief, Dave Marcelli, and Bill Bare, all vastly improved over 1948, squelched for three years any backfield problems which might have been threatening. Along with this trio, Verdooch has his veterans, Frank Massero, Bill Sherman, Dave Haffner, and Frank Cassara for ball-toting chores. The pasing department is vastly improved with Harry Atkinson and Dick Bertain to help Dick Jarvis and Tom Dugger.

Obviously, the Galloping Gaels have no backfield worries. More encouraging still is the fact that the backfield is composed of juniors and sophomores, all good for at least another year.

The middle of the line will also be stronger. Ken Mirch, Fran Donohoe, and John Fanuka should be good enough to give iron men like Al Beasley and R. V. Johnson an occasional rest.

SCHEDULE WOES

To say that the Gaels have a hard schedule is putting it mildly. They will play 10 games in a row without a weekend off. The first five games are toughies of the first class. St. Mary's meets Oregon in the bay area opener, playing the first game under Kezar's brand new mazdas. After the Webfeet come the California Bears, Nevada, Villanova, in Philadelphia, and Loyola. Don't count on the Lions to be a pushover next year. They will have two coaches on the payroll. Besides paying Bill Seargant not to coach, they have hired a new mentor and have imported a lot of eastern talent, refusing to take a lesson from the University of San Francisco's erstwhile Dons.

A trio of contests under arcs, against Drake, Denver, and San Jose State, plus the two traditional games with USF and Santa Clara complete the card.

All but two of the games are within 75 miles of Gael fans, and the hundred-odd students who make the annual trip to Loyola will be able to see the Gaels in nine out of 10 tussles.

THANKS, JOE

One of the few campus activities still functioning is the intramural program. Almost completely responsible for this year's program is Manager Joe Louis Casalnuovo. "Sweaty Joe" has put in two hours each day, four days a week, all year long, just supervising alone. He has also spent a lot of his time arranging schedules, recording results and so forth.

The students owe a great deal of thanks to Cass. It is because of him that our intra-mural sports has been so efficient, so fast-moving, and so complete.

Never one to take complete credit, Joe maintains that without the help of George DeKlotz, who supplied equipment upon a moment's notice, he would never have been able to function. "Deke was always ready to help me out. He showed me how to make out schedules easily, and he gave me valuable pointers on running things. He was the man behind it all."

Still and all, President-Elect Casalnuovo deserves praise for doing a terrific job. We only hope he can be as good a president as he has been intra-mural chief.

Gaels Face Stanford, Trojans in Finales

Sacs Near Baseball Title

With the Spring semester intra-mural banquet slated for Monday, the league-leading Sacramento club was in quite a hurry this week to annex the baseball title. The way was paved when the Mudville Sluggers upset the Sphincters, 12 to 8, to knock them out of a tie for first with the Sacs. All the pre-season favorites needed was a win over the Splinters yesterday to gain the championship.

Dining with the baseball titlests will be the Daydogs who, led by Captain Clarence "Dede" Klein, topped all comers in the basketball leagues. The dinner will be held at Bertola's East Restaurant on MacArthur Boulevard. Intramural Manager Joe Casalnuovo has also invited his corps of referees.

If the Sacramento Club lost yesterday, both the Sphincters and the Dayliters would become mathematical possibilities for the top spot, since all three would then have two defeats.

The standings follow:

	Won	Lost
Sacramento Club	8	1
Dayliters	8	2
Sphincters	7	2
Mudville Sluggers	6	4
Jim Juniors	5	4
Boozers	5	5
Splinters	4	4
Pikers	3	5
Sanctuary	3	6
Gladiators	0	10
Pinochle	0	10

Both in the bridge and tennis tournaments, Mike Higgins continued to surprise all concerned last week as he moved into the quarter-finals in tennis by downing Frank Kudelka. Rated a 20-to-1 shot in the bridge tourney by Gene Santay, Saint Mary's College Bridge Commissioner, Higgins, and his partner, Barney Mellon, knocked off a pair of favorites to find themselves in the third round. In spite of his success thus far, Higgins entertains no title speculation in tennis. Said Mike after winning his latest match, "Oh, well, I'll get beaten sooner or later."

Also into the tennis quarter-finals are Tom Slakey and "Dede" Klein.

The doubles tennis tournament has bogged down considerably. Almost no games have been played in the past few days.

In the bridge tourney, Santay expects Murphy and himself to be competing with Bruzone and Accinelli in the finals. Said Santay this week, "If we guys get eliminated before the finals, I will be completely surprised."

1949 FOOTBALL

Date	Opponent	Place
Sept. 16	Oregon	San Francisco (night)
Sept. 24	California	Berkeley
Oct. 2	Nevada	San Francisco
Oct. 8	Villanova	Philadelphia
Oct. 16	Loyola	Los Angeles
Oct. 23	San Francisco	There
Oct. 28	Drake	San Francisco (night)
Nov. 5	Denver	Lodi (night)
Nov. 13	Santa Clara	San Francisco
Nov. 18	San Jose State	San Jose (night)

Netsters at SF State Today

The Gael tennis team lost its second meet with San Francisco State College last Friday, 9 to 0, but Saint Mary's hopes to regain some of their lost prestige this afternoon when they again meet the Alligators on the state home courts.

The team got off to a slow start this year and could not seem to pull itself out of its slump. Such players as Pete Valerga, Gene Wittemen, and Al Johnson, upon who Coach Clovey Le Croix thought he could count, have never really hit a hot streak yet this season. The Gaels are out to bring home a victory in this meet.

SM Golfers vs. COP, Broncs

In the season's final matches, the St. Mary's College golf team will host COP today at the Richmond links, and meet Santa Clara at the La Rinconada golf course in Los Gatos Tuesday.

The Gaels were barely edged out by San Jose State Wednesday, 14 to 13, at Richmond. George Bruno carded a five under par 67, and Al Nelson shot a 68, but it was not enough to beat the Spartans. Packard Harrington, with 76, also turned in a winning round. Ronnie Patten, Bill Hickey and Jack Christiansen receipted for losses.

Sanctuary List

WEEK OF MAY 22-28 INCL.

Sunday, May 22

7:00 Mass—Joe Williams and Bill Handley.

9:00 Mass—Lou Desmond and Art Balazs.

Benediction after 9:00 Mass—Ken Langford and Jack Narey.

Week day Mass 7:00, May 23-28 inclusive—Dick Escajeda and Tom Waters.

With just two more games remaining on the schedule, the Saint Mary's Phoenix, after losing to the Stanford Indians Wednesday by the score of 7-5, will travel to the farm tomorrow to engage the Indians for their final encounter of the season.

Carroll Canfield will most likely be the choice of Coach Johnny Vergez to face the Indians. Stanford will probably counter this with their ace southpaw, Dave Dahle.

In his last effort against the Phoenix, Dave twirled a one-hit shutout victory over them.

FINALE AGAINST U.S.C.

Following the Stanford game, the Phoenix face the league-leading U.S.C. Trojans to close their C.I.B.A. season.

In looking over the past season, Vergez commented that he thought the team's record is not as good as what it could have been. "We had a lot of bad breaks, and the rain at the beginning of the season did not help us any," said John. John said that the team was not hitting the ball well at the start of the season, and, as a matter of fact, they are not hitting well yet. Bill Brown is leading the club in hitting with a .350 clip.

TROJANS BEST

The best team that the Phoenix have faced so far this season, according to Vergez, are the league-leading Trojans. In looking over the records it is seen that their infield combination of Mazmanion, Briedweisser, Cedillos and Regald is by far the best in the league.

In looking forward to next year's prospects, Vergez commented, "The team should be stronger as the Sophomores should improve, and we are counting on a few of the Freshmen to help us. However, the loss of four seniors, Galvin, Rial, White and Piedmonte, may hamper us."

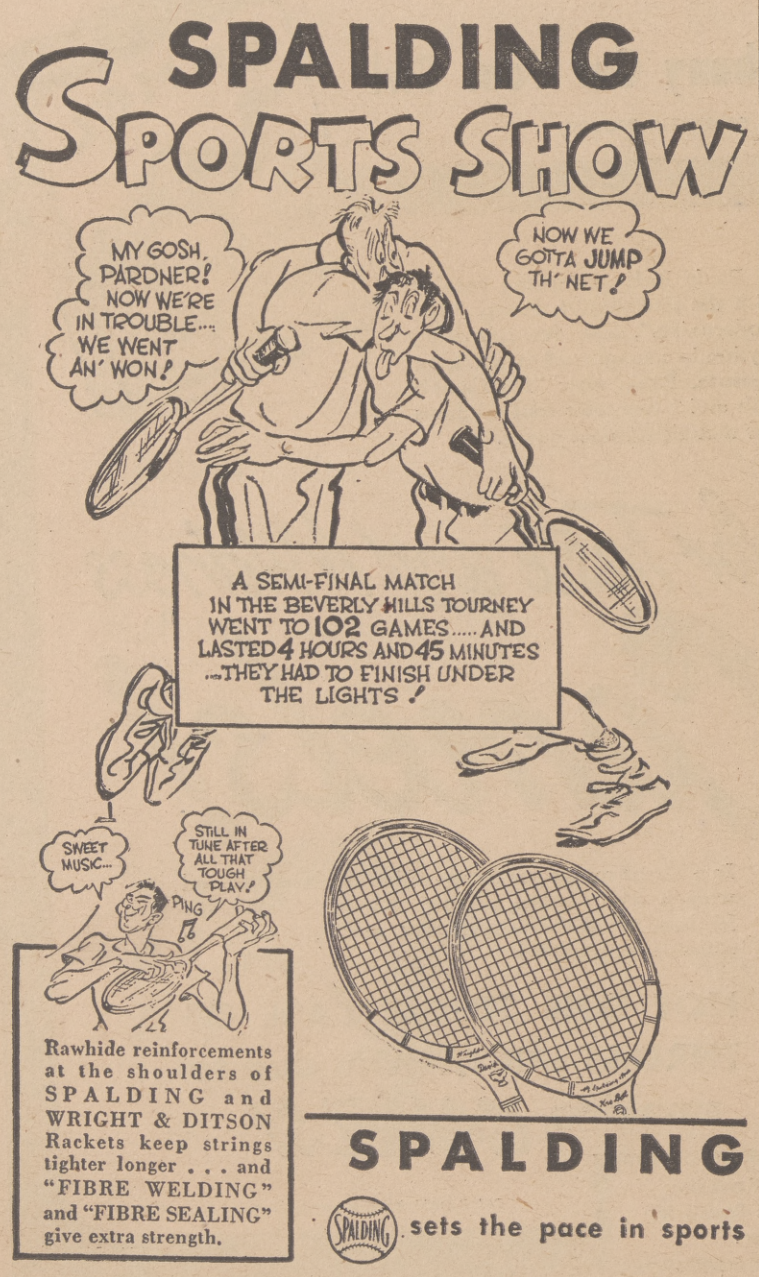
Vergez emphasized that the spirit on the club was excellent. The team hustled all the time, particularly the Seniors.

RED-BLUE GAME TROPHIES

Trophies were presented at the half-time of the annual Red-Blue game for outstanding work during the game and spring practice to the following:

Tom Dugger received the Dick Fitzgerald passing award, Packard Harrington, the Jim Smith punting trophy, John Mapelli, the Toby Hunt Memorial trophy for the most improved lineman; and Guy Visbal, the sportsmanship award.

Dick Piedmonte received the plaque for being the outstanding senior in athletics, scholarship, and college activities. This was the first time this award has been made since Ray Curry, all-coast end, received the honor in 1942.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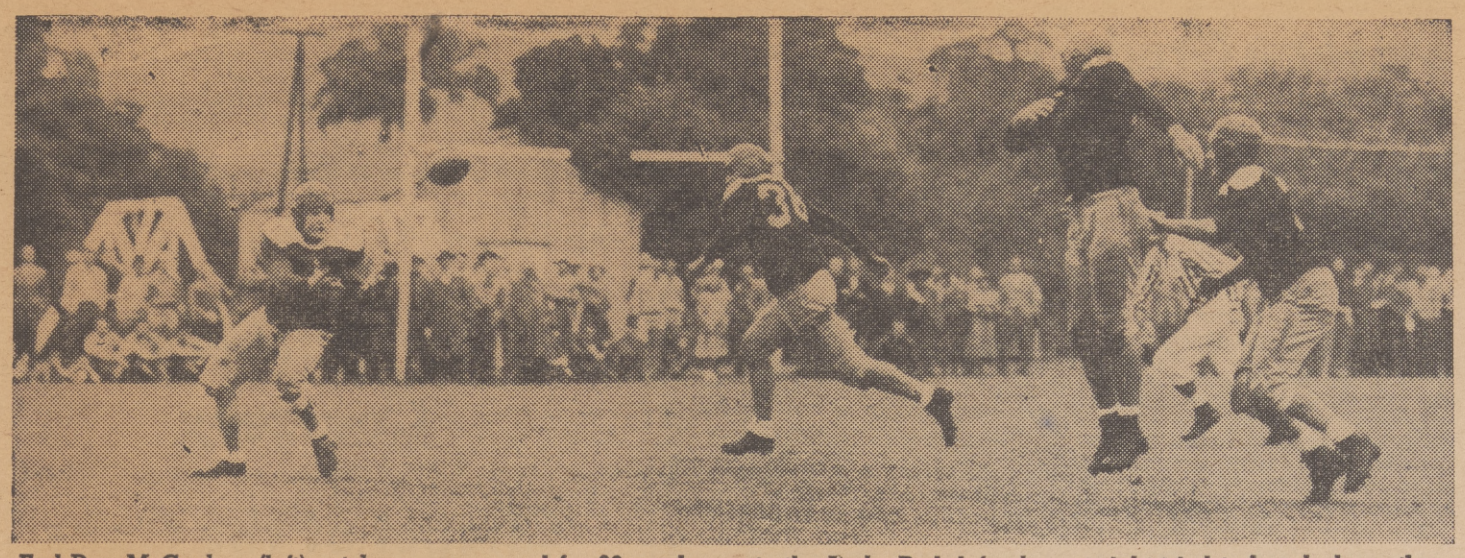

End Dan McGeehan (left) catches a pass good for 20 yards in inter-squad game at St. Mary's yesterday. McGeehan was playing for the Blue team, which lost a 14-13 decision to the Reds. Red defenders at right tried to knock down the pass. The Blues were made up of first and fourth teams, Reds consisted of second and third-stringers.—Tribune photo

Subs Show Promise as Reds Edge Blues, 14-13

Perhaps the biggest problem confronting Coach Joe Verducci last Fall, that of a lack of substitutes, may be considered solved this Spring, for a hustling Red squad of second and third stringers edged out the veteran Blues for a 14-to-13 win on last Sunday's Homecoming Day.

Sparked by Quarterback Dick Bertain, who has put in only one year, as a high school center, the victors overcame a 13-to-0 halftime deficit. Throughout the second half, the Reds ran, passed and rushed the favorites right off the field. Had it not been for a few costly fumbles by Red backs, the game would have turned into a complete rout.

FROSH SPARKLE

Particularly encouraging was the play of fellows up from last season's Freshman team. Backs like Bill Bare of the Blues and Redshirts Jim Ortlief, Mike Conforti and Dave Marcelli, who outsped a veteran secondary for 60 yards after taking a pass from Tom Duggar for the winners' initial score, displayed plenty of promise. Showing ability to bolster an already strong line were Fran Donohoe, Bob Stodola and Bare of the losers, and John Fanuka of the Reds.

Harry Atkinson, second string Blue Quarterback, also looked good. Pitching southpaw passes in the second quarter, he was able to hit his receivers, particularly Don Busch, with a great deal of accuracy. His last half punting aided the then backsliding Blues to pull themselves out of holes deep in their own territory.

The Blues lost no time in hitting pay dirt. Dick Jarvis aerialed to Frank Cassara for 15 yards and 6 points early in the first period. Cassara's attempted conversion failed. In the second quarter Atkinson flipped a short pass to Busch for another Blue touchdown. This time Cassara's placement split the somewhat rickety uprights for a seemingly commanding 13-point margin.

BERTAIN SHINES

....**The second half was a Red**-shirt picnic. It was during these 40 minutes that Bertain shone. He avoided completely the Blues' strong right side, composed of Al Beasly and R. V. Johnson, preferring to send his backs, Marcelli, Ortlief and Conforti, around the weaker flanks. He mixed his passes, of which he completed a fair percentage, and his running plays enough to keep his opponents guessing. He also hit the line often enough to keep the Blue line and secondary close to the middle. Although lacking much deception in his handoffs, he made up for this deficit by mixing his plays deftly.

After the Dugger to Marcelli pass play had put the Reds back into the game, Bertain brought the victors down the field for the winning touchdown, which was scored on a one-yard line buck by Ortlief. On this particular play Ortlief had no hole whatsoever through which to move, and he literally pushed right through the Blue line on his own power.

Frosh Finish Season With Broncs Sunday

In the closing game of a very successful season, the St. Mary's Freshman baseball team will battle the Santa Clara yearlings Sunday at 2:30 p.m. on the local diamond.

While winning 21 out of 25 games, the Frosh have shown considerable improvement, especially in the fielding department. A number of the first-year men are hitting the ball at better than a .300 clip. Leading the pack is Neil "Swede" Nordstrom, who will carry a .494 average into the Santa Clara contest.

In the first game betwen the two clubs, the Santa Clara Colts edged St. Mary's in the tenth inning for a 3-to-2 victory. The Frosh hope for a reversal Sunday. Denny Campbell, with seven wins without a loss, will hurl the finals for the Gaelets.

The Frosh have won their last three games. They defeated a power-laden Christian Brothers nine from Sacramento, 7 to 6. Jack Pickart, former CBS moundsman, was the winning pitcher. Catcher Vince Pisani completed the ex-Brothers battery.

Last Friday afternoon St. Elizabeth High School of Oakland was the victim of a 13-to-10 setback. Drew Turner started for the Frosh and was relieved by First Baseman Tom Nerad, who finished up.

In a game played Tuesday at Edwards Field in Berkeley, the Gaelets defeated the California Frosh 10 to 5 and, in so doing, won their series with that school, 2 to 1. Pickart pitched consistent ball, and, except of one bad, he had the game well in hand.

8 Trackmen Go to Modesto

Of this year's Gael track team eight of its members will travel to Modesto today. The Modesto relays is the final meet for the Gaels this season.

Those who will make the trip announced by George De Klotz, track coach, this week are Lenny Dixon, competing in the broad jump and high jump, Rafael Duke in the century, Frank Massara and Joe Waltner in the javelin, and the one-mile relay composed of Larry Walsh, Bart Cawley, Tom Fletcher, and Bruce Piner.

The eight men who have been chosen by George Deklotz are members who should pick up points for the Gaels.

Dixon came through with a crack 10 seconds flat in the century against Santa Clara and ran a smart race to win it. Larry Walsh has also turned in some right good times in the furlong running it in :22.1 last week against the Broncs. Coming right along since the track season opened is Rafael Duke who has been pushing Lenny Dixon in the hundred all season.

Those who won letters for picking up ten points or better in meets this season are: Dixon, Larry Walsh, Mike Serna, Massara, Waltner, Piner, Duke, Joe Shea, Chuck Manzioui, Fletcher, Leo Sanchez, Jerry Minot, Glenn Archer, and Richard Cecchini.

GAEL Campus Calendar

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SEPT. 16
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Saint Peter's First in Art

Students from Saint Peter's High School, San Francisco, made a clean sweep in the Fourth Annual Saint Mary's Art contest for high school boys conducted by Brother Cornelius, F.S.C., head of the Saint Mary's Art Dept.

The Saint Peter's winners were Hugo Sarria, first place for creative work: Ricardo Gordiallo, first place for copying work, and Gerald Harrington, second place for creative work.

Honorable mention was given Joseph Roman and Michael Harvey of San Joaquin Memorial High School, Fresno; Gordon Masten, Cathedral High School, Los Angeles; Robert Dale, William Torrico and Lawrence Tom, all of Saint Peter's.

More on Grads

(Continued from Page 1)

a panel on "The Position of the College Graduate in the Community." Dr. Edgar Hinkle, William Smith, William Simon, and Dr. Joseph Picchi will be the principal speakers.

Brother William, Dean, is chairman of the day.

On Saturday, there will be a commencement rehearsal and a dinner given by the President of the College and the faculty for the graduates and their families. Saturday evening, the Last Round-Up will be held in the Lounge. This is an entertainment given by the graduates for their families and for the faculty.

The Senior Pilgrimage about the campus will be held Sunday morning.

Those graduating from the school of Liberal Arts with the degree of Bachelor of Arts are John E. Buick, Jr., Robert C. Cook, Frank P. Lazio, Richard W. Montgomery, Peter C. Siguenza, Robert F. Carlson, Dennis L. Garrehy, Brother V. Gerard, Thomas S. Hart, Carol J. Head, James E. Hurley, William C. Leiper, Ronald P. McArthur, George V. McKeever, Robert D. Oliver, Richard E. Piedmonte, Hubert J. Ross, John J. Sanguinetti, Mario J. Sanguinetti, Richard J. Siggins, Antonio F. Catigbac, Louis N. Desmond, Ernest R. Spencer, Brother S. Leopold and Brother R. Bernard.

Those graduating from the school of Economics and Business Administration with the degree of Bachelor of Science are Walter J. DeFaria, Manuel M. Mencarini, Thomas A. Scully, Thomas J. Welsh, Clyde O. Baysinger, Richard W. Bergeron, Henry M. Bignesca, Jr., John J. Doneger, James L. Dunphy, John J. Germaine, Francis L. Jordan, John W. Joyce, Robert L. Lustenberger, Silvio S. Morando, Harry G. Plomarity, Thomas F. Purtill, John D. Rarig, Robert E. Roche, John D. Slaven, Brother V. Stephen, Richard B. Ward, Raymond A. White, Donald A. Butler, Louis I. Gabrielli, Thomas J. Murphy, Paul J. Regoli, Joseph L. Ruckstuhl and Jean R. Witteman.

Those graduating from the school of Science with the degree of Bachelor of Science are Elvin F. Andrade, Thomas R. Lorenzini, John E. Anderson, Frank A. Bertolucci, Raymond P. Brown, Walter G. Englert, Ronald J. Genevali, James R. Lindsay, Raynold R. Paladini and Brother V. Eric.

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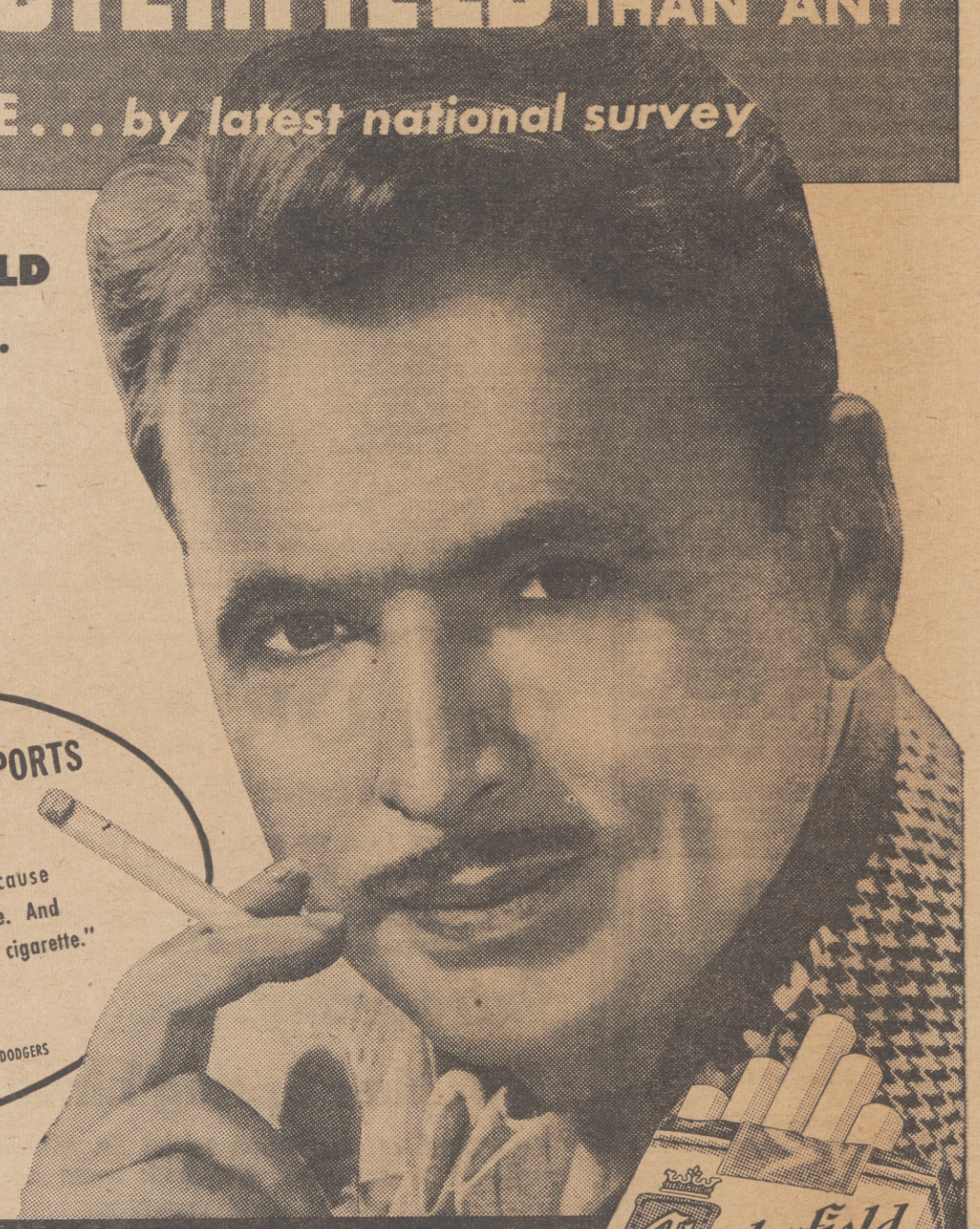

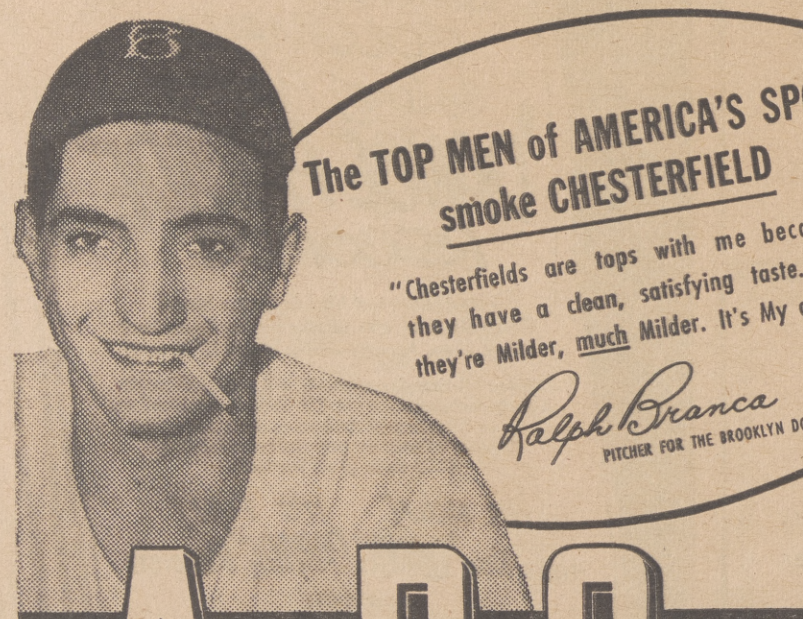

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The COLLEGIAN EDITORIAL PAGE

Master Bungling

Three weeks ago our elected representatives decided that more money would be needed for operation next year. As legislators of student finances, they decided that they could not longer risk underwriting the Gael. They decided that the student-body fee next year should be $15 instead of the present $5, and that this $15 should include the Gael.

What did they do to make this aim a reality? Our representatives put the question to a student vote. In spite of the fact that the constitution gives them the power to set this amount, the ex-council members put the question to a student vote.

Perhaps, as some think, this was a foolish move. It is a rare man who will vote money from his own pocket. But foolish or not, once this decision was made, our representatives should have abided by it. When a petition and a tabulation of the vote showed that the students favored the status quo of $5, $5 should have been accepted.

Instead, the election committee, with three of its four members graduating Seniors, tried to ram the $15 proposition down the students' collective throat. By stubborn and sophistic reasoning, these four announced that the $15 fee had won. But their sophistry did not carry far enough; they also announced the figures.

Only a second petition and a second vote could force them to acknowledge the students' will.

The election committees' good intentions are its only defense. Surely, the blunder which its members made cannot be defended.

For they have not only failed to get the raise, they have sabotaged any such attempts for years to come. And a still more unfortunate result is the cloud of suspicion which they have cast upon themselves and upon the executive council. The newly elected president and his assistants will begin work under that cloud.

It behooves the new president then, to watch student opinion more closely than his predecessor. And not only to watch student opinion, but to heed it.

He's Got Our Vote

It's too bad someone doesn't give a Man of the Year award around here, because we've got a cinch candidate—Yale Meyer, dynamo behind the drama revival here which has put Saint Mary's on a par with the best. The televising of his latest success is a triumph which no other college director on the coast has secured.

But we congratulate Mr. Meyer not so much upon the personal glory which he has earned as upon the recognition which he has gained for Saint Mary's. And while we will noisily cheer our football heroes next year, we will watch with more satisfaction the work of Mr. Meyer and others like him.

On the Level

By FATHER MOSS

Editor's note: This is the twenty-second in the series of articles written by Father Moss on his recent ten weeks trip to Europe.

Guaranteed safe passage from Florence to Switzerland, we left the art center of the world at noon. Inasmuch as there were few incidents after the general strike had been terminated, our guide thought that it would be safe enough to go to Venice and Milan enroute to Switzerland. He told us tho' that these plans were subject to change on a moment's notice as he did not know how American tourists would be received in the towns through which we had to pass. Chief in importance were the towns of Bologna and Ferrara, but we passed through both of them without incident.

Previously we have mentioned the care which the Europeans have shown the American war dead who have been buried overseas. We saw a classical instance of this in the small town of Petromillia, about thirty miles from Florence. The town had been badly hit by shells and gave the appearance of a place which would recover very slowly from the results of the war. Nevertheless, not far from the town was a huge cemetery of American war dead, with Old Glory flying proudly over it. The graves were marked with clean white crosses. They were covered with fine grass and some of them had flowers. This was just another evidence that some of the Italians appreciated the great sacrifice which the Americans made to liberate them from the Nazi yoke.

Contrary to common belief, the gondolas are not multicolored as they are pictured in many paintings.

Collegiana

By Harry Burt

Thoughts while conjugating a French verb: I wonder when those four pigeon eggs that are in the very top of the chapel's steeple will hatch? They've been there for three weeks; five frosh daydogs are thinking of adopting them.

A petition will soon be circulated for the adoption of fencing to the physical education department. A similar movement was made for archery a year ago. What will be the fate of the prospective swordsmen?

Holy Names college is going to move its campus. The most favored of the proposed sites is at nearby Diablo. Saint Mary's will be co-ed yet!

How to kill time between finals: Take a walk over to the art department. Here you will meet the original "Moraga Man." At present he is just a pile of bones in a box. Brother Cornelius will be glad to let you examine the last remains of the old fossil who is believed to be prehistoric.

It is generally agreed upon that the Moraga Man was murdered; his skull was probably tapped with a tomahawk. (I could say something about a shot in the head but I won't!) He was dug up when excavation was started on Lake LaSalle.

Have you ever wondered what kind of a sense of humor the cultured ladies of Dominican college have? The following anecdote is drawing polite laughter from the forementioned ladies:

The sister had distributed paper and crayons to her second grade pupils with the instructions to draw a picture of the holy family. Among the original portraits was that of little Billy. It had four people seated in an airplane, three with halos.

The good sister asked who was the fourth person. To this Billy replied in indignation, "That's Pontius, the pilot." Boy, that's a jazzy one!

Guild Enjoys Tea, Fashions

The Saint Mary's College Guild Tea and Fashion Show attract ! 650 women to the campus on Saturday, May 14.

The Guild is celebrating its tenth anniversary this year and this year's fashion show, held in the College Dining Hall, has been called the most successful in years, from the artistic and financial points of view.

It is the standard practice of the guild to supply a deserving student with a full, four-year, resident scholarship. Proceeds om the party will be used for this purpose.

Miss Dorothy Jean Madison was in charge of the fashion show, assisted by Miss Betty Dexter, who displayed three costumes from her custom-made shop.

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Collegian Literary Page

Bystander

By GRANT ROUNSEVILLE

The vacation season is descending upon us with alarming speed. It seems that just about the time a fellow beings to get a vague idea of the subject matter with which our patient profressors have tried so laboriously to acquaint him, old father time blows the whistle and ends the game. Just when it was beginning to get interesting, too.

I must say I don't figure out all this enthusiasm about the forth-coming vacation. All this drooling about going back to dear Old Podunk for a carefree three months is , in my opinion, a lot of hokum.

For the past fortnight, the usually entertaining conversation over coffe mugs in the co-op has degenerated from discourses philosophical, to winding anticipations of forthcoming revelry. Listening to these characters argue about the relative pulchitude of the belles of their respective, jerk-water communities has made this old campaigner somewhat bilious.

Ti illustrate the shallowness of this phony enthusiasm I cite an activity one of these boys is looking forward to. Dick Riley, ordinarily a rather astute young fellow, comes along side the other afternoon grinning like a newly commisioned ensign, and gurgles that he is literally going to burn up the city of Los Angeles this summer. Upon further interrogation, I discover that he has a weed burning contract with that municipality. Oh boy! At least it will give him an excuse for those blood-shot peepers. On second thought, maybe he is a pyromaniac.

And after questioning other proponents of summer joy, I must confess that the reasons for their optimism are equally ill-founded. I discovered only one intelligent soul, the gracious Mr. Robert Fahey. He told me that, upon leaving Saint Mary's, he was setting forth immediately for a secluded spot in the high Rockies, equipped with a volume of Aristotle and 20 cases of beer.

Any complaints or rebuttals to the foregoing remarks may be addressed to G. Rounseville, Mustang's Mesa, Colo.

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Concerning Slug, An Odd Parrot

By HALT WAGGERTY

When Bosun McCarthy came home from the Navy, he brought a parrot named "Slug" with him. The bird could speak five languages, sing "Saint Louie Blues," and play blackjack like a financially embarrassed corporal. The parrot took over the farm like a mortgage-holder. He gave the roosters foot drill, learned to call the hogs, and lectured to the hired hands on the Chinese situation. And somehow he found time to leave the farm on long, mysterious absences, which he never explained. "Slug" was a busy, intelligent parrot.

In Autumn Mac decided to hunt pheasant on his back forty. He was walking through some brush when six voices said, "Run like heck, girls; that sailor's coming this way."

Mac could not see anyone, but two new voices in the thicket began to curse him in Hawaiian and Portuguese. A pheasant flew up in front of him, but before he could get his gun up, the bird cried, "Where's your license?" By the time he had his license out the pheasant was gone. But a big cock bird jumped out from under his feet and the old shotgun came up automatically.

"Hold your fire!" the pheasant yelled, and Mac was so flabbergasted he didn't pull the trigger. By now he had an idea what the parrot had been doing on his mysterious absences and stormed out of the woods for home, followed by jeers of "Man overboard!" and "All hands muster on the fantail to repel invaders!"

Mac had a good dish of parrot soup that night, but it was two years before the pheasants around Mac's farm forgot all "Slug" had taught them, and to this day you can occasionally raise a pheasant with a fat, curbed beak and a cry that sounds a little like, "Now hear there!"

Letters to Editor

Open Letter to Mr. Siggins:

In reference to your claim in the May 13 edition of the Saint Mary's Collegian, I would like to voice my opinion concerning the so-called "Gael Gossip." Being that you are quite a penman and capable sports authority, you certainly have the right to criticize athletes—whether in glory or defeat. But to be a "peek-a-boo Pennington" is something out of the ordinary for a sports authority. Furthermore, the personal business of any person is entirely under his own discrimination and may be dealt with accordingly. Free suggestions can be helpful, but if you weren't so talkative last Saturday night a certain Mr. D. G. wouldn't have floored you with a right to the jaw. Maybe you too could use a little advice or would boxing lessons be more appropriate?

BRAINS AND ADVICE

InfirmaryHrs.

Monday—8:45-9 and 1 to 3.
Tuesday—9-10 and Dr. visits from 2 to 3.
Wednesday—8:45-9, 11-12, 1-3.
Thursday—9-10, 2 to 3.
Friday—8:45-9, and Dr. visits from 1 to 3.
Visiting Hours—3-5, 9-10.

Other than these hours, nothing but emergencies handled. In case of an emergency, contact the switchboard.

Seniors Present Variety Of Ages and Ambitions

Saint Mary's College formally and ceremoniously presents her 86th annual commencement exercises on June 12th. In doing so, she is granting degrees to a heterogeneous group of graduates.

Sixty-one students, as diverse in age as they are in ambition, will listen to commencement speeches of various sorts. Elated and inflated will appear the physiognomies of the cap and gowned sixty-one. The granting of degrees to them is their Alma Mater's tender way of saying, "You're on your own."

9 A look-forward into the lives of the graduates is impossible. Twenty-three will be granted degrees from the Liberal Arts department; while twenty-eight business administration and ten science sheepskins will be given.

LARGEST IN DECADE

The graduating class of 1949 is the largest this college has gathered together since 1939. Many from this class would have finished earlier had it not been for the forceful imposition of subjects like military training, mechanical warfare, etc., into their college curriculum.

The likes of selective service have made it practically impossible for any graduating class of the last decade to have passed through the required quartet of years unscarred or intact.

Of the true class that started here in 1945, only a few remnants have survived to graduate, while some have either militarily postponed or expideted their collegiate careers.

OLD GRANDAD

Way back from matriculation in 1935 comes graduate Thomas Walsh, Old Grandad of the seniors, to guide youthful degree-earners like Val McKeever, student body president, and Dick Siggins, Collegiate editor, two of the class's youngest, to the graduating platform.

Senior President Clyde Baysinger, Ex-council representatives Bab Lustenberger and Jim Sanguinetti, treasurer Lou Gabrielli, and former ASSMC president Frank Lazio and viceprexy Dick Montgomery, along with CIC chairman Lou Desmond and year book editor Walt De Faria, are only a few of those who began at Saint Mary's years ago, and would have finished earlier but for the universal summons.

Others like Pete Siguenza, another former student vice-president, came to the college for part-time only, having done earlier collegiate groundwork in other institutions.

FOUR ATHLETES

As for athletics, the Gael cause for sporting supremacy loses Tom Lorenzini, Ray White, and Jack Buick from Phoenix duty, and Dick Piedmonte from both football and baseball.

Honor students Ron McArthur and Harry Plomarity have been scholastic leaders all the way, and will be so awarded.

Three members of the Christian Brothers Scholasticate are included in the class; Brothers Stephen, Eric, and Gerard.

Thirteen of the graduates completed their studies in January, but will join in this commencement, since they have been included in the class of '49.

SOCIAL SUCCESSES

Social events presented by the class include a Senior supper dance in January, a Senior Ball last Saturday evening, and the annual boat ride around San Francisco Bay this evening. Credit most of the social success to Baysinger and Ray Paladini.

Presentation of a gift to the college by the graduating class has been discussed, but no formal action will be undertaken until next week.

El Novillero; a Tale of Mexico

By David Troy Strange

The **Linda Mujer** Bar is three blocks south, and two blocks west of the Gate at the International Boundary in Mexicali.

Fernando Cordova's mural on the wall of the **Linda Mujer** portrays the **matador,** Joselito, turning a black Zugina bull. I was sitting in the bar one night admiring the painting when, in back of me, someone began to play a guitar. The guitarist was

playing the Novillero, a famous Mexican song that is often played at bull fights.

As I listened to the guitar I thought of Joselito's haughty and arrogant march across the arena. I could almost hear Joselito hurl his challenge at the bull, and see the bull's nostrils quiver as he waited the approach of the **matador.**

The results of the **picador's** efficiency could be seen in the jagged and bloody wounds that had lowered the bull's neck, and reduced his once furious charges to futile and helpless lurchings. The frantic bellowing of the doomed animal seemed to invade and fill the bar as he ran at Joselito.

From the guitar there came a full, booming major cord as Joselito went in over the horns and thrust his **espada** surely and viciously down into the bull's spine. The bull shuddered and dropped to his knees. With a great, deep sigh, the animal rolled over onto the wet and scarlet sand. **Los aficionados** cheered, and Joselito, in his bloody harness, saluted them.

The guitarist ended his song with a vibrant tremolo that seemed to serenade the vanity and audacity of the **matador.**

I turned around and looked across the heavy silence of the room at the guitarist. He was a tall, slender man. His movements, as he placed his guitar on a table, were clean and smooth like those of an athlete. When he began to move over to the bar I saw his right leg. It was horribly twisted. The cruel deformity allowed him no walk: only a weird hobble.

He half stood, half crouched beside me, and his face was the face of Mexico. Deep set, under a wide frontal bone, his brown eyes looked out over high cheek bones that served as anchors

for his heavy hooked nose. I could see the saliva on his fine, strong teeth sparkle as he smiled:

"Buenas tardes, Senor."

"A usted, buenas tardes, Senor."

I offered him a drink, and after the bartender had brought the **tequila,** I said:

"I enjoyed your guitar."

"Gracias, Senor."

"While listening to your music this painting seemed to live. I could almost smell the bull. When you stopped playing, **Senor,** it was too late. Joselito had killed the bull!"

At this he threw back his head and laughed:

'Si, Fernado is a good painter." He laughed again and said:

"Fernando is better at painting than Joselito is at killing bull."

"Do you know Fernando Cordova, **Senor?**"

Si, we are good friends."

"Do you know Joselito?"

Si, we are even better friends." This time his great laughter, as had his music, filled the room and shook the glasses on the bar.

"Where did you learn to play th guitar? I have heard the world's great guitarists and, surely, your playing was magnificent!"

"My father was a celebrated guitarist. He taught me to play."

He turned and started to hobble away. At the door he stopped.

"I am here every night," he said. "Perhaps we will meet again. **Hasta la vista, Senor."**

When he opened the door I saw the long, narrow **cola** hanging down from the back of his head. Then I knew. My guitarist had been a **matador!**

He crept through the door and was gone. The sound of his laughter followed him down the street.

Soon the bar was quite and still. I looked up at the painting. Joselito, it seemed, was having trouble with the bull.